GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5403
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2003
INTER-LINKING OF RIVERS
A. VENKATESH NAIK;ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;CHARAN DAS MAHANT;GADDE RAMAMOHAN;KAILASH MEGHWAL;RAMSHETH THAKUR;SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the task force set up by the Government on interlinking of rivers has decided to seek the opinion of specilised institutions and experts on the project;

(b) if so, the facts and the details thereof;

(c) the details of specialised institutions which have since provided technical or expert opinion to the task force; and

(d) the further action proposed by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) The Task Force on interlinking of rivers has identified some institutions/experts as resource institutions/persons to prepare Strategy Papers on specific themes in its second meeting held on 27th march, 2003. A Statement is attached.

(c) The Task Force has not received any opinion from the said Institution/Expert.

(d) Does not arise.

STATEMENT REFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5403 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.4.2003 IN LOK SABHA REGARDING INTER-LINKING OF RIVERS.

SL.NO	THEME/TOPIC	EXPERT/INSTITUTION
1.	Wild life/Environment	Prof.Samar Singh, Dr. Dilip Biswas Central Pollution Control Board(CPCB) National Environmental Engineering Research Institute(NEERI) Forest Research Institute(FRI) Wildlife Institute Indian Institute of Forest Management(IIFM)
2.	R&R and Social Issues	Mr.Babbar Tata Institute of Social Studies(TISS)
3.	Finance, Economics	National Council of Applied Economic Research(NCAER)
4.	International Dimensions	Prof.B.G. Verghese, (Centre for Policy Research(CPR) & Former Ambassador Dasgupta.
5.	Institutional Arrangements	Indian Institute of Management(IIM), Ahmedabad
6.	Engineering, Technology, Construction Management, Equipment, R&D	Institution of Engineers, Indian Institutes of Technology(IITs)
7.	IT and Communications	National Informatics Centre(NIC), Telecom Commission, Telecommunication Consultant India Ltd.(TCIL).